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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GORDON, Ladgate Circus, E.C. BATES, HENRY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 180 & 182, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROUX, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.
NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BLAIR & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINEMANN & Co., Manila.

CHINA.—Messrs A. A. DE MELLO & Co., Swatow, CAMPBELL & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co., Foochow, HENRY & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALKER, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 1,400,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—Hon. W. KLEWICK.
E. R. BELIMOS, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. F. D. BARBON, Esq.
H. HOFFMUS, Esq. W. E. YOUNG, Esq.
A. MOLINA, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWE CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue de la Banque, PARIS.

AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOULBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

HONGKONG.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3½ per Annum.
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.
GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.
Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 2, 1879.

Banks.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000.
RESERVE FUND, £160,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 20th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £933,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £465,250.
RESERVE FUND, £20,000.

HEAD OFFICE.—39A, Threadneedle Street, LONDON, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:—

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND.
NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Interest allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balances; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Entertainment.

"OUR BOYS"

DRAMATIC COMPANY, comprising the following Artists:—

MISS EMILY BLAIN, MISS MINNIE NORDT, MRS. NORVILLE.

MESSES FRANK STUART, GEO. NORVILLE, G. CROFTON, AND

HARRY FRANKLIN, Will arrive EARLY in JANUARY, and will give

THREE PERFORMANCES ONLY.

Full Particulars in future Advertisements.

GEO. NORVILLE, Business Manager.

Hongkong, December 22, 1879.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY

will perform

"THE SORCERER"

AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE,

On FRIDAY, the 23rd January, at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased and places secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on and after SATURDAY, the 17th Proximo.

W. WHEELER, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 29, 1879. ja24

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, in Quarts and Pints.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

FOR SALE.

THEOPHILE ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, awarded the

GOLD MEDAL AT THE PARIS EXHIBITION.

DRY VERZENAY MOUSSEUX: Quarts, \$17 per Case of 1 doz. Pints, \$18 " of 2 doz.

MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 21, 1879. 21fe80

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, ON

MONDAY,

the 12th January, 1880, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

A COLLECTION OF BOOKS.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Jan. 3, 1880. ja12

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., to sell by Public Auction (unless previously disposed of by Private Contract), on

FRIDAY,

the 16th of January, 1880, at 2 p.m., on Board—The

GERMAN BRIG "CARL,"

of 225 Registered Tons, as she now lies at anchor off Yow-mah-tee, with all her

MASTS, SAILS, and INVENTORY, complete.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs Arnhold, Karberg & Co.; or, to the Auctioneer.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

F. RAPP, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1879. ja16

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF Mr. J. GRABE in our Firm CEASED, by Expiration of Contract, on the 31st of December, 1879.

Mr. C. GRABE will Continue to SIGN our Firm until 31st May of 1880.

Mr. GUSTAV FISCHER has been Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this Date.

E. MEYER & Co.

Tientsin, 1st of January, 1880. fe2

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF Mr. LEONHARD STAEL in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to SIGN our Firm per Procuration.

HESSE & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1880.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has established himself at the Premises formerly occupied by LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co., Peddar's Wharf, as

AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER AND COMMISSION AGENT.

All GOODS entrusted for SALE will be fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. R. LAMBERT.

Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Agents,

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. 3se80

Intimations.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,

IN LIQUIDATION.

Shanghai, January 3, 1880.

AN ELEVENTH RETURN OF CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TALLS per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on 12th January. Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on MONDAY, 19th January.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 19th January, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

NOTICE.

THE Business of HEINEMANN & Co., Ship Brokers, will, from the 1st January, 1880, be CARRIED ON under the Name of R. STEIL.

HEINEMANN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1879. ja31

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 60A, QUEEN'S ROAD, on FRIDAY, the 30th January instant, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 30th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

ON and after the 27th Instant (SATURDAY), the BUSINESS of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION will be Carried on at No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD, Central, the Premises lately occupied by the AGRA BANK.

GEO. O. SCOTT, Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1879.

NOTICE.

DR. EASTLAKE has Returned from MANILA, and will Receive PAIENTS at his OFFICE, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, January 1, 1880. fe2

ORIENTAL HOTEL.

MR. J. F. SHUSTER begs to announce that he carries on from this Date the above Establishment, as a FIRST-CLASS HOTEL. The House is now being THOROUGHLY RENOVATED and RE-FURNISHED.

Mr. SHUSTER hopes by strict attention to Business, and by supplying the Best of Liquors, to merit a share of Public Patronage. The House has AMPLE ACCOMMODATION for BOARDERS, who will meet with every comfort. The Table will be of the Best and the Charges strictly Moderate. The Proprietor will be at all times ready to supply FISHING PARTIES and to provide DINNERS for PARTIES of Six and upwards on very REASONABLE TERMS.

TWO NEW BOWLING ALLEYS HAVE BEEN LAID.

English and American BILLIARD TABLES.

TIFFIN AT ONE; DINNER AT SEVEN.

WINE AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST QUALITY.

ORIENTAL HOTEL, J. F. SHUSTER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, November 5, 1879. ff

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

The Steamship "GLENGYLE,"

Capt. QUARTLEY, shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 7, 1880.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "CLAYHOUSE,"

Brown, Master, expected here on or about the 7th Inst. from Singapore, will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Hongkong, January 2, 1880.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship "ANCHISE,"

Captain G. JACKSON, will be despatched on or about the

7th January, 1880.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1879.

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "VOLGA,"

Commandant GUIBAND, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA

on FRIDAY, the 9th Inst., at Daylight.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja9

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "IRAOUADY,"

Commandant GAUVAIN, will be despatched for SHANGHAI

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS STORES.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.,

BEGET to call attention to the following New Supply of STORES, which they have Received
Ex "GORDON CASTLE,"
And Other Recent Arrivals.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, 4-lb., 5-lb. and 6-lb. each.
CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDINGS.
Pure AMERICAN CANDIES.
Pure SCOTCH CANDIES.
DRAGGERS, ALMONDS.
FANCY CHOCOLATES.
MASON'S CHOCOLATE CREAMS.
NOUGATINES.
CRYSTALLIZED METZ FRUITS.
New Designs in COSAQUES.
"CEWEAYO'S HAT BOX."
"MARQUETTE'S JEWEL CASKET."
"GRANDMA'S BONNET BOX."
"EDWIN and ANGELINA."
&c., &c., &c.

SMYRNA FIGS.
Muscatel BLOOM RAISINS.
JORDAN ALMONDS.
BRAZIL NUTS.
PECAN NUTS.
HICKORY NUTS.
Cooking and Table PRUNES.
Pudding RAISINS and CURRANTS.
Candied PEEL.
MINCEMEAT in 1-lb. tins.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
GARRAWAY SEEDS.
SCHWEITZER'S COCOATINA.
AMERICAN CREAM CHEESE.
SAP SAGE CHEESE.
LIMBURG CHEESE.
FINE APPLE CHEESE.
HAM TONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE.
WESTPHALIAN, BOLOGNA, OXFORD, and TRUFFLED SAUSAGES.
GAME PIES.
Potted MEATS.
Prime Yorkshire HAMS.
Prime Wiltshire BACON in tins & Canvas.
Pickled OX-TONGUES.
OX-TONGUES in JELLY.
TRUFFLES.
CALIFORNIA ROLL BUTTER.
CUTTING'S Canned DESSERT FRUITS.

HUNTLEY & PALMER'S BISCUITS.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER CAKES.
MILK BISCUITS.
ALPHA BISCUITS.
OYSTER BISCUITS.
WAFER BISCUITS.
SODA BISCUITS.

First-class and Medium CHAMPAGNES, Plats and Quarts.
HOOK.
SAUTERNES.
CLARET.
Fine Old Pale PORT, 1848.
SACCOON'S Pale Dry SHERRY.
Do. Amontillado SHERRY.
LA GRANDE MARQUE CHARTREUSE, Plats and Quarts.
MARASCHINO DE ZARA.
CURACAO.
Fine Old BOURBON WHISKY.
SCOTCH and IRISH WHISKIES.
BASS'S ALE Bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, Plats and Quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT Bottled by E. & J. BURKE, Plats and Quarts.

Specially Selected CIGARS.
Princesses CHEROOTS.
Cavite CHEROOTS.
Princesses CIGARS.
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Vegueros CIGARS.
Choice No. 1 Fortin CIGARS in Boxes of 100.
Choice No. 3 Meisig CHEROOTS.
Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.

PRESENTATION BOOKS.
SCIENTIFIC WORKS.
WORKS OF REFERENCE.
SCHOOL BOOKS.
CHILDREN'S STORY BOOKS.
CHILDREN'S TOY BOOKS.
NOVELS.
ATLAS.

HISTORIES.
DICTIONARIES.
OLLENDORFF'S METHOD for Learning FRENCH and SPANISH.
DR. AHN'S METHOD for Learning GERMAN and FRENCH.

ASHES'S MODEL BOOKS OF FOREIGN COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENCE, GERMAN, FRENCH and SPANISH.
"NORTH CHINA HERALD" D A T E BLOCK for 1880.

NEW SEASON'S PRESENT TEA, in 5 and 10 Catty Boxes.
Hongkong, December 15, 1879.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

COMMENCING on FRIDAY, the 2nd January, 1880, the KIU KIANG will run temporarily on the HONGKONG-CANTON route, instead of the KINSHAN. There will be No NIGHT BOAT to or from CANTON on and after MONDAY, the 5th January, and until further notice. On and after THURSDAY, the 8th January, the POWAN will run temporarily as a DAY-BOAT between HONGKONG and CANTON, instead of the JOHANG, which will be WITHDRAWN from the Line for a few days.

By Order,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary,
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steam-boat Company, Limited.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
China Navigation Company, Limited.
Hongkong, December 31, 1879.

G. FALCONER & Co.,
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,
AND JEWELLERS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.
40, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 20, 1879. ja20

DENTAL NOTICE.
DR. ROGERS has returned and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS.—
No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.
W. E. SPRATT & Co. have lately added an EXTENSIVE MACHINE SHOP and other APPLIANCES to the former Advantages of these Docks. The DIMENSIONS of the DOCK are:—460 Feet, on the Blocks; 92 Feet Wide; Ordinary Tides, 21 Ft.; Spring Tides, 24½ Ft. Office, 24, PRAY CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, October 4, 1879. 40c80

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Company's Steamship "HECTOR,"
Captain H. JONES, will be despatched on the 10th Inst., at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880. ja10

FOR HOIHOW AND PAKHOL.
The Steamship "HAINAN,"
Captain CONNER, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 10th Inst., at 5 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880. ja10

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.
The British Steamer "KILLARNEY" will have immediate despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Company's Steamship "GLAUCUS,"
Captain T. JACKSON, will be despatched on or about the 17th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 41 British Ship "MIDDLESEX,"
WALSH, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on THURSDAY, the 29th January, 1880, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Auditors.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880. ja13

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 29th Instant, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880. ja13

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

PALMA, German barque, Capt. Blago.—Melchers & Co.
MOSES B. TOWER, American barkentine, Capt. C. Hall.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MIDDLESEX, British barque, Captain A. Walsh.—Borneo Company.
GARIBOLDI, American barque, Capt. T. J. Forbes.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
PRINCE FREDERICK, British ship, Capt. John Clague.—Vogel & Co.
KATIE FLICKINGER, Amer. barkentine, Capt. Gilman.—Russell & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 8, Chinkiang, British steamer, 799, S. M. Orr, Shanghai Jan. 4, 5 p.m., General.—SIEMSEN & Co.
Jan. 8, Diamante, British steamer, 514, R. Cullen, Amoy Jan. 7, General.—RUSSELL & Co.
Jan. 8, Fuyew, Chinese steamer, from Canton.
Jan. 8, Hector, British steamer, 1589, Jones, Liverpool Nov. 13, Port Said, Suez, Colombo, Penang, and Singapore Dec. 29, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Jan. 8, Hainan, American steamer, 381, J. W. Conner, Pakhol Jan. 4, Hothow 8, and Macao 8, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 7, Anadyr, for Marseilles, &c.
8, Primus, for Manila.
8, R. M. Haywood, for New York.
8, Crusader, for Sourabaya, &c.
8, Douglas, for Coast Ports.
8, Chinkiang, for Canton.
8, Three Brothers, for Tournon.

CLEARED.

Thales, for Amoy.
Hochung, for Shanghai.
Charlton, for Saigon.
Yotung, for Swatow.
Hesperia, for Whampoa.
Ceres, for Takao.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
For Chinkiang, from Shanghai, Mr and Mrs Schenck and Master Schenck, Mr Calcut, Father Joseph Moyes, and 8 Chinese.
Per Diamante, from Amoy, 62 Chinese for Hongkong, and 103 Chinese for Manila.
Per Hector, from Straits, 246 Chinese.
Per Hainan, from Hothow, &c., 57 Chinese.
DEPARTED.
Per Anadyr, for Saigon, Messrs Denis and Sorin, Mr and Mrs Corneau and daughter, and 6 Chinese; for Singapore, Baron de Hoppenfle and servant, Mr da Costa and servant, Mr and Mrs Machado and servant.—From Shanghai for Marseilles, Messrs Von Mollendorff, and Pielson.—From Yokohama for Marseilles, Mr Satow.
Per Crusader, for Sydney, Messrs W. Wheeler, and W. Orlinton, and 19 Chinese; for Melbourne, Rev. J. W. Davies, Mrs Sanderson, and Miss Bowden; for Port Darwin, 1 Chinese.
Per Douglas, for Amoy, Miss Cornett, Messrs R. H. Cook, Theo, and L. Lozano; for Foochow, Mr Woodsorth.

To DEPART.

Per Hochung, for Shanghai, 30 Chinese.
SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British steamer Chinkiang reports: Left Wouong at 5 p.m. the 4th Inst., and arrived at Hongkong at 2 a.m. 8th Inst., to Turnabout light variables, thence to port moderate monsoon and fine clear weather.
The British steamer Diamante reports: Had moderate N.E. monsoon and fine weather throughout.
The British steamer Hector reports: Left Liverpool Nov. 16th, arrived at Colombo Dec. 16th, received 426 passengers, called same day; arrived at Penang on the 23rd, called same day; arrived at Singapore on the 25th, and sailed on the 29th. On the 30th passed S. S. Antenor. Experienced moderate gales with tremendous seas and heavy squalls. Had to slow engines for 30 hours on account of the heavy sea.
The American steamer Hainan reports: Left Pakhol at 5.45 p.m. on the 4th Inst., arrived in Hoihow at 10.45 a.m. on the 5th. Left again at 4.30 a.m. on the 6th, had heavy swell from the N.E. with fresh N.E. wind. Arrived in Macao on the 7th at 6.30 p.m. Left Macao at 9 a.m. this morning, and arrived here at 2.30 p.m. to-day.

CARGOES.

Per S. S. Anadyr, sailed 7th January:—
For Continent, 3,624 bales Silk, 424 bales Waste Silk, 95 bales Cocoons, 23 cases Silks, 423 pkgs. Sundries, and 853 pkgs. Tea; for London, 678 bales Silk, 27 bales Waste Silk, 9 cases Silks, 546 boxes Tea, 1,741 half-chests and 1,793 pkgs. Tea, and 223 pkgs. Sundries.
Per American barque R. M. Haywood, Hongkong to New York, sailed January 7th:—5555 rolls Matting, 1,250 pkgs. Firecrackers, 150 pkgs. Caves, 1,216 pkgs. Preserves, 82 pkgs. Blackwoodware, 81 pkgs. Chinaware, 1,000 bales Cassia, 300 cases Camphor, and 50 cases Essential Oil.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—
For MANILA.—
Per Diamante, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 9th Inst.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per Fuyew, at 8.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 9th Inst.
For JAPAN via KOBE.—
Per Nigata Maru, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 9th Inst.
For AMOY and SHANGHAI.—
Per Hector, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th Inst.
For HOIHOW and PAKHOL.—
Per Hainan, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th Inst.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet Kaiser-i-Hind will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 14th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Brindisi or Southampton; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet Feiho will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 21st Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (via Madras), Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

HOURS FOR CLOSING

THE CONTRACT MAILS.
The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by both the British and French Contract Packets:—

Day of Departure.—
5 P.M.—Money Order Office closes.
5.30 P.M.—Post Office closes till 8 P.M., except the NIGHT BOX, which is always open out of Office hours.
8 P.M.—Post Office opens.
9 P.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
10 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
10.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents until 10.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely.
10.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 18 cents until time of departure.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, January 8.
OPIUM.—New Patna, cash...\$570
" Old Patna, cash...540
" New Benares, cash...547½
" Old Benares, cash...525
" New Malwa, credit...710
" Allowance Teals.—
" Old Malwa, credit...770
" Allowance Teals.—

Exchange.

Bank, Wire...3/9½
" Demand...3/9½
" 30 days sight...3/9½
" 4 months sight...3/10½
Credit, 4...3/10½
Documentary, 4 months sight, 3/10½
India, Wire...227
" Demand...227
Shanghai, demand...75½
80 days sight...74
Gold Leaf, 99½ fine...26.80
Sovereigns...5.22

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 62½ prem. sales.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,400, sales.
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,325, sales.
North China Ins. Co., \$1,125, buyers.
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., \$1,740
Chinese Insurance Co., \$300, ex divl.
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$320, sales.
China Fire Ins. Co., \$220, sellers.
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 9½ prem. sales.
H.K. & W. S.-boat Co., \$22 prem. sales.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$11
China Coast St. Nav. Co., \$11.109
Hongkong Gas Co., \$70
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$66.
China Sugar Refining Co., \$155, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, nominal. Do. of 1877, do.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)
HONGKONG, January 8.
BAROMETER—9 A.M....30.150
Do. 1 P.M....30.060
Do. 4 P.M....30.050
THERMOMETER—9 A.M....65
Do. 1 P.M....69
Do. 4 P.M....67
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M....61
Do. 1 P.M....61
Do. 4 P.M....61
Do. Maximum...68
Do. Minimum over night 61

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, January 10.—
Daylight.—Miss Bishl Mail leaves for Yokohama via Kobe.
3 p.m.—Hector leaves for Shanghai.
5 p.m.—Hainan leaves for Hoihow, &c.

MONDAY, January 12.—
2 p.m.—Auction of Books at Mr J. M. Armstrong's Sales Rooms.

WEDNESDAY, January 14.—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental E. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.
Goods per Iravaddy undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

11 p.m.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, January 16.—
2 p.m.—Auction of German brig Carl. Transfer Books of Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited, closed from this date to 29th Instant.

SATURDAY, January 17.—
Transfer Books of H. C. & M. Steam-boat Co. closed from this date to 30th Instant, inclusive.

FRIDAY, January 23.—
9 p.m.—"Sorcerer" at the City Hall.

SATURDAY, January 24.—
Noon.—Menuir leaves for Singapore, Briabane, &c.

THURSDAY, January 29.—
4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. K. Hotel Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel.

FRIDAY, January 30.—
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. C. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited, at No. 504, Queen's Road.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Volga leaves for Yokohama.
10 a.m.—Iravaddy leaves for Shanghai.
Noon.—Diamante leaves for Manila.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

DEATH.

On the 8th Instant, at Nullah Side, PERIVIAL CALDWELL, the infant son of Mr J. M. Armstrong; aged 7 months.

PASSENGERS arriving in Hongkong, or any other persons who may desire to consult the files of local, China, Japan, American, English, Indian or Australian newspapers, are invited to call at the "CHINA MAIL" Office, where over sixty newspapers, dailies and weeklies, from these countries, are from to-day filed for reference.
Hongkong, Jan. 1, 1880.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.50 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JAN. 8, 1880.

As Sir John Smale has already informed us, the question brought before him in Chambers yesterday evening was one of paramount importance. Although debarred from giving the proceedings to the public in the usual manner, we have every reason to believe that the following statement is in the main correct. Whatever arrangement may have been made between the Opium Monopolists of Hongkong and Macao, the feud has apparently not yet come to an end. Information was laid by the Opium Farmer here to the effect that \$25,000 worth of prepared opium was on board the Messageries Maritimes steamer Anadyr (from Shanghai to Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, &c.), and a warrant of search was applied for. On this being refused, the Supreme Court was moved to issue a mandamus, ordering the Magistrate to grant the warrant asked for; and, after hearing the applicant in Chambers (as we have already stated), the Chief Justice issued the necessary order. A warrant to search the steamer Anadyr, then in the harbour, was therefore placed in the hands of the Captain Superintendent of Police at about seven o'clock last night, and, in accordance with Police instructions, Captain Deane proceeded to obtain the commands of H.E. the Governor in the matter. As the steamers of the Messageries Maritimes have hitherto been treated as men-of-war, thereby possessing privileges not enjoyed by ordinary vessels, and as it was therefore in accordance with etiquette if not with international law to communicate with the representative of the French nation in the Colony before executing this warrant, the Governor had an interview with the French Consul on the subject. M. Pichon, on behalf of his Government, declined to support, countenance, or assist in the execution of the warrant in any way whatever; and His Excellency thereupon exercised a wise discretion in suspending its execution, and issuing orders to the Captain Superintendent of Police to that effect. It may be here added that, in the warrant that was issued, the arresting clause had been carefully expunged.

It may not be generally known that the authority upon which this warrant was applied for is Section viii. of Ordinance No. 2 of 1858, which is as follows:—"No person shall bring into this Colony or the waters thereof, or (except in cases to which Section vii. applies) [meaning opium duly certified]—" have in his possession or custody within the same any prepared Opium." The next Section runs thus:—

IX. Upon lawful Evidence being first given to the reasonable Satisfaction of a Magistrate or the Superintendent of Police, that any Person within this Colony or the Waters thereof hath in his Possession or Custody any Opium contrary to Section Eight, or any Opium prepared, sold, or retained, contrary to this Ordinance, it shall be lawful for the said Magistrate or Superintendent to issue a search Warrant in that Behalf, and under such Warrant any Member of the Police Force may enter any Tenement, Place, or Vessel, within this Colony or the Waters thereof, and search for, and (if found) seize and hold, subject to the Order of the Court hereinafter mentioned, any prepared Opium within such Tenement, Place, or Vessel, and whereof no satisfactory Explanation shall have been given by the Person aforesaid.

Upon these sections, it is argued by the Opium Farmer, any prepared opium whatever may be seized, whether the drug be brought into these waters for the purpose of sale, or it simply comes into harbour in transitu for another

port. The fact that the Supreme Court issued the mandamus last evening shows that the learned Chief Justice took the Opium Farmer's view of the law in question, and that any prepared opium on board any vessel coming into these waters unscrupulously by the Farmer, whether it is being conveyed to another port or not, is subject to seizure. Prepared Opium which is merely passing through this Harbour from one port to another, and which is properly manifested and invoiced, is hereby held to be within the penal clauses of Ord. 2 of 1858. Sir John Smale's observation is therefore well borne out, as to the importance of the legal proceedings which took place so mysteriously last evening.

Had the agents of the Anadyr been before His Lordship, they would have of course argued quite differently as to the liability of prepared opium to seizure in transitu. They would have contended that, in the free port of Hongkong, no goods whatever could be interfered with so long as they were merely en route from one port to another, and that no interpretation of a local ordinance, or any local statute whatever, however distinct, could justify any breaking of bulk of their cargo properly shipped for another destination. Even granting that the prepared drug in question was shipped from Macao to Shanghai, and from Shanghai to Ceylon, they would still maintain they were within their rights in claiming its entire immunity from interference. Its liability to seizure would open a large question, and goods in transitu might be subject to seizure in a similar way at Singapore or Shanghai or Yokohama. Indeed, apart from the question as to the status claimed for the Messageries mail packets, it appears to us to be a fortunate circumstance for all concerned that Mr. Hennessey has suspended the execution of the search warrant under notice.

The questions of international and public law involved in the mutual assumption that the French mail steamers should be treated as men-of-war vessels are seemingly unsettled at present. Sir R. J. Phillimore's decision in the case of The Daring v. the Parlement Belge, delivered in the High Court of Justice (Admiralty Division), on March 15th, 1879, is held by our Acting Attorney General (Mr Russell) to have changed the current of previous notions on this subject. The Belgian mail packet Parlement Belge stood in the same relations to the Belgian Government (and, so far as the conveyance of mails is concerned, to the British Government) as the Anadyr does to the President of the French Republic. An action for damages caused by collision having proceeded by default to judgment, and the owners of the steam-tug Daring having moved the Court for judgment against the "Belgian Government, and that a warrant should issue, the case was argued, the Attorney General (by counsel) contending that the Court had no jurisdiction, as the Parlement Belge possessed the public mails of Great Britain and Belgium, was a public vessel of the Belgian Government, and so forth. The decision of Sir R. Phillimore, however, was to the effect that, as the Parlement Belge carried on a considerable commerce as well as conveyed certain mails, she was not entitled to the privileges of a public ship of war. His Lordship's words are—"Upon the whole I am of opinion that neither upon principle, precedent, or analogy of general international law, should I be warranted in considering the Parlement Belge as belonging to that category of public vessels which are exempt from the process of law and all private claims." He therefore allowed the warrant of arrest to issue. Execution was stayed for a fortnight, on an application on behalf of the Attorney General, in order that notice of appeal might be given; but so far, at least until reversed on appeal, this decision looks very like a final one. At the same time, it seems to carry with it the soundest of reason and a large element of fairness.

The other questions raised by the present interpretation of Ordinance 2 of 1858, if not made plain in the new Opium Ordinance, should at once be set at rest. Whatever protection may be given to the Opium Farmer on shore, and against the landing of prepared drug from vessels in harbour, it should be seen to without delay that, in order to prevent any interference with the freedom of the port, the law be satisfactorily amended.

The news from Afghanistan which should have come yesterday and is to hand to-day is full of meaning and in no way comforting. We read of guns temporarily abandoned, of our troops "failing to dislodge the enemy" of their "giving up the heights above the city," and so on ad libitum. We read of the message flashed by cable to Lord Lytton as to the death of Queen Victoria bleeding for the loss of brave men in recent conflicts. The whole aspect of the war has completely changed. No longer a war with any chief or Amer who has insulted us we fight now the people, the whole of the people, it may be said, of Afghanistan. Of the approach of this condition of things there was ample warning. It was known some considerable time before any of this fighting was heard of that a bold and determined effort was to be made to contest the English claims on the country. Mahmood Jan Khan, said to be a general of some note, was reported to be raising a force from the tribes on the banks of the Panjshir river in Kohistan, and that all the disaffected soldiers of the late Amoor's army and indeed all the

more turbulent portions of the population were gathering to his standard with the avowed purpose of attacking the British troops. The Canal road on both sides of the fort of that name was said to be occupied by large bodies of the enemy; rumour said sixty thousand men, with eighteen guns. The citizens of the capital were determined to rise against the invaders at the first opportunity, and were anxiously awaiting the advent of Mahomed Jan Khan. Gholam Hyder Khan, the Governor of Balkh, had sent six regiments to the redoubted General's assistance. Yaboo Khan's brother, Mahomed Ayub Khan, had been known, addressed the Russian authorities, informing them of the arrest of Yaboo Khan by the British, and applying for the assistance of Russian arms to resist the invaders of Afghanistan. And, further, reports from Turkistan alleged that Russian troops were collecting on the north bank of the Oxus, and that the Russians had called on the States of Khiva and Bokhara to assist in the construction of a shelter for the troops. The authorities had ample warning that another revolt was undoubtedly at the bottom of it; and there was no excuse for their being unprepared. Still there has been this hard fighting on all hands, of which we have heard by telegraph and of the lighter conflicts of which we have details to hand by the papers to-day. To our mind the worst part of all this is the part Russia is playing in it. Sir Fred. Roberts has been relieved from his critical position by the arrival of reinforcements, and there is now some surer of every Englishman in the country not being shot down or dying like a rat in a hole; but two or three times the number of British soldiers now in the country will be insufficient to effectually quell the insurgents and thoroughly subdue the country. That, we take it, is what we have to do. Putting Russian intrigues aside as well as any substantial assistance she may covertly give to those against whom we wage war, it is plain, as our Rangoon contemporary, the *Gazette*, aptly puts it, "that if after the many severe lessons the Afghans have received at our hands, Mahomed Jan or any other self constituted leader can collect together 10,000 men to make an attack on three squadrons of Cavalry escorting four guns, it is pretty evident that the Afghans require but little foreign support or encouragement to rise en masse against us." We have gone too far now to recede with a vestige of honour remaining on our name. There should be no more vacillation. The responsibility of this renewed quarrel lies on the people themselves, not on us, and they should be dealt with in such a way as to satisfy our national honour, vindicate our national prowess and render such acts of excessive treachery as we have lately witnessed impossible in the future. Unfortunately we are all but paralysed for a time now by the approach of winter, but the first approach of spring should see our armies smiting the Afghans hip and thigh and utterly subduing a country which we cannot allow to fall into the hands of or be ruled in any way by Russia, and which we are for that reason and by reason of her own dastardly unfaithfulness obliged, for the safety of our Indian Empire, to completely subdue and thereafter rule with a rod of iron.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."]

(Per E. E. A. & Co. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

LONDON, January 7.

Serious riots have occurred in Ireland.

RUSSIA ORDERING ARMS.

The Russian Minister of War has ordered a large quantity of rifles.

The nihilist propaganda is spreading in the Russian Army.

THE PRESIDENTS OF BOLIVIA AND PERU FLEE, AND PERU IS PROCLAIMED DICTATOR.

The Presidents of the Republics of Bolivia and Peru have fled, and Peru has been proclaimed Dictator.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next AMERICAN MAIL may be expected here to-morrow Friday, the 9th inst., by the O. & C. steamer *Geelong*, which left Yokohama on the 2nd inst. She brings San Francisco dates up to December 6th.

The next ENGLISH MAIL may be expected to arrive here on or about Sunday next, the 11th inst., by the P. & O. steamer *Geelong*, which left Singapore on the morning of the 6th. She brings London dates to Dec. 6th.

We are informed by Messrs Butterfield and Swire, that the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Glaucon*, from Liverpool, left Singapore yesterday afternoon for Hongkong.

H.M.S. *Iron Duke*, 14, Captain E. F. Cleveland, will be docked on Saturday next at Aberdeen to allow cleaning and a few trifling repairs to the ship's bottom being effected.

The painting and repairs to the Hospital ship *Meane* have been completed, and she is again being equipped as an hospital ship. The patients will probably go on board from the shore hospital early next week.

The monopoly of slaughtering cattle in the Western and Eastern slaughter houses, during the current year, has been granted to Wan Shang of the Hing Lung Shop, No. 2, Salt-fish Street.

The Quarry Farm for the current and following years, has been let to Tang I, of the Tai-tin Shop, Queen's Road East, opposite the Eastern Market, and that for Kaulung to Li Fuk, residing at Shui-tang near Shau-ki-wan for the same period.

The *Gazette* contains a Return of all bankruptcies filed in the Supreme Court since the passing of Ord. No. 5 of 1864 up to

the 1st August 1879. We shall deal with this document later on. There have been 181 bankruptcies and of these 35 estates are still outstanding at date of this return.

A YACHT race will be sailed over a harbour course on Saturday next, starting from the Coal sheds at 10 o'clock. The course will be from Coal sheds to Cow-e-Chow, thence to Channel Rocks in Ly-se-moon, thence to Meane, back to Channel Rocks, finish at Meane. Naomi, Naiad and Ariel have entered.

A COMPARATIVE examination for the vacant post of Usher at the Police Court will be held at Noon on Thursday, the 22nd of January, in the Council Chamber, Government Office. In connection with this the Minute by the Governor on Hongkong Civil Service appointments, dated May 28th, 1877, is published for general information.

SHORTLY before 8 o'clock yesterday evening an alarm of fire was raised in D'Aguiar Street. A crowd soon assembled in the neighbourhood, and as the locality is a densely populated one and in the immediate vicinity of a mass of valuable property, considerable excitement was caused. The fire luckily was only that of a chimney in a lane branching off to the eastward of the street and was soon extinguished.

The missing mail from Singapore is believed to be on board the steamer *Memur* which is hourly expected. The blue-funnel steamer *Heater* brought on a bag or two of mails, but not those which should have come by the *Iravaddy*. The steamer by which the Singapore Post Office authorities send the mails when they have any choice, is invariably the last to arrive, and in almost every case it is known that that will be so by everybody in Singapore who is not connected with that miserably managed institution there, the Post Office.

A COMPARATIVE statement of the revenue under the Stamp Amendment Ordinance 1868, the Sheriff's Ordinance 1873, and the Chinese Emigration Ordinance 1874, during the years 1873 and 1879 respectively, is published in the *Gazette*. The total revenue in the former year was \$128,519 (leaving out cents all through) and in the latter year \$116,043. There were on 19 items decreases which amount to \$14,625 and on 18 items increases which amount to \$20,428, leaving a net decrease for 1879 of \$12,476. The items in which the largest decreases are entered are these:—Adhesive stamps sold under sec. 1, of the Stamps Amendment Ordinance 1868, exclusive of the 3-cent stamps under sec. 11, \$4,834; stamps on transfer of shares in any public company, \$2,195; on bills of exchange and promissory notes, \$2,830; conveyances or assignments, \$1,813; and receipts for money exceeding \$10, \$1,286. These five items show a total decrease between them of \$12,928, leaving only \$1,597 for the other 14 items, which cannot therefore be large decreases. Of the increases the only four of any amount are these:—on Bank notes, \$1,299; on bills of lading, \$200; on bank cheques, \$176; on receipts for money exceeding \$10, (impressed stamps) \$131, together \$1,806, leaving for the other ten items only \$242 of increase, from which the average smallness of the increase can be guessed. The return, which is signed by the Collector of Stamp Revenue, Mr. A. Lister, is dated January 2nd, 1880.

The following account, duly certified, of the average amount of bank notes in circulation in Hongkong, during the month ending 31st December, 1879, is published in the *Gazette*:

	Average amount.	Specie in reserve.
Oriental Bank Corp., London & China, 522,302	200,000	
Char'd Mer. B. of Ind., London & China, 467,970	250,000	
Char'd Bank of India, Australia & China, 2,013,091	700,000	
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, 2,013,091	700,000	
Total.....	\$3,468,646	1,400,000

The Shanghai Volunteers were to have a Church Parade on the first Sunday of the year, which, it was hoped, would be largely attended.

ATTENTION has been called, by several correspondents of Home and Indian papers, to the anomaly that Germany, having entered into the so-called Postal Union, charges for letters sent to India, China, or Japan, via Brindisi or Marseilles, only 20 pfennigs (equal to 2½d.) per 16 grammes (equal to ½ oz.), whereas letters sent from England are charged at the rate of 8d. per ½ oz. via Brindisi and 4d. per ½ oz. via Marseilles.

DURING the past week Mrs Langtry has been staying at Brighton as the guest of the Reuben Sassoons. It was a pretty sight to see the fair Jersey Lily, draped in a white mantle, driving along the cliff in a well-turned-out victoria with her host, whose black beard, dark eyes, and awarthy complexion formed an admirable foil—or should I say contrast—to her resplendent fairness. For all the world, they looked like Othello and Desdemona in actual flesh and blood. On Thursday she went to the Hove Park, and stayed for more than an hour, greatly to the gratification of the Othello-villagers, who are now its chief supporters.

Nothing could be more graceful than her movements on the wheels, albeit she came to grief once, and had a bit of a fall, notwithstanding that she had a trusty cavalier in attendance in the shape of the Honourable Frederick Bennett. I understand that Mrs Langtry is to be present at the Polo ball this evening at the Pavilion. "Atlas" in the *World*, Nov. 26th.

Police Intelligence.

(Before C. F. Creagh, Esq.) Thursday, Jan. 8.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY. William McDermott, 55, a Marine of the U. S. ship *Richmond*, was charged with being drunk and creating a disturbance in a brothel on the evening of the 7th instant.

It appears that defendant went to a brothel about 10 o'clock last night. He was very drunk and pulled out a knife immediately on entering and threatened the inmates with it. The mistress of the house called the police and had him removed to the station. With the Constable he was quiet and went peacefully.

Defendant stated that his money had been taken from him and when he demanded it the people of the house refused to return it. The prisoner was fined \$2, in default, four days' imprisonment.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Chan Ayan, 40, a carpenter, charged with the unlawful possession of a piece of wood on the 7th instant at Yan Ma Ti, was sent to goal for 14 days with hard labor.

Sze To Fuk, 25, a painter, who also had a predilection for picking up timber, having a former conviction against him so recently as October last, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labor for larceny.

STEARING GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

Two stonecutters, named Tai Aam and Fu Aam, appeared on a charge of stealing a quantity of granite stone, the property of the Government, on the 6th instant.

William Samuel, a watchman in the Survey General's Department, met a number of men removing granite on a truck from No. 1 quarry on the Pok-Foo-Lum road. Knowing no one had any right to remove the stone, he made enquiries into the matter, the result being that he arrested the two defendants.

The second defendant stated the stone was out and given to him by the first defendant, who said it was of no use and that Tai Yün had the contract for quarrying from Government. Defendant is contractor for the new Sea Wall and as Tai Yün is a friend of his he thought he might take the stone.

Tsang A I, the master of the Tai Yün stone shop, says the defendants were employed by him at one time. He has not leased a quarry on the Pok-Foo-Lum road for six or seven years. He never gave defendants permission to take stone from any of his quarries. They were in the habit of taking chips as they were of no use to him.

First defendant says he is employed by the Government to cut stone. He gave the stone to the second defendant, but admits he had no right to do so.

First defendant was fined \$40 in default to suffer six weeks' imprisonment with hard labor.

BREACH OF THE OPTIUM ORDINANCE, 1879.

Li Aikong, 58, unemployed, was charged with boiling opium in contravention of the Ordinance of 1879.

Defendant said he was only boiling it for his own use.

Fined \$75, in default two months' imprisonment.

SUPREME COURT.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before His Lordship the Chief Justice, Sir John Smale.) Thursday, Jan. 8.

IN RE WILHELM VON PUSTAU, A BANKRUPT.

This was a public sitting for Mr W. von Pustau, adjudicated a bankrupt on November 11th, to pass his last examination and make application for his order of discharge.

The Official Assignee, Hon. O. B. Plunket, stated in reply to the Court that no creditors had proved. Nobody appeared to oppose, but Mr Wotton watched the case for several creditors. He as Official Assignee was perfectly satisfied with the final statement of his affairs submitted by the bankrupt.

The statement showed liabilities through the firm of Wm. Pustau and Co., to the extent of \$1,320,662 and assets as sworn to \$688,937.87. Bankrupt's private liabilities were nil, his assets \$4,698. Of these the Official Assignee was not satisfied any would be recovered. He would not call them bad debts but they were doubtful.

The Chief Justice pointed out that what the present bankrupt was entitled to under the partnership should have appeared here in his statement of affairs.

Mr Plunket said the two other bankrupts, statements had been almost precisely similar to this; the headings were the same both in the statements of Mr Pustau, senior, and Mr Donner.

With regard to a third share in a godown at Wanchai, which Mr Wotton said, in reply to his Lordship, was a valuable property, it came out in conversation that Mr Cordes had been the owner of this third share; going home he left his power of attorney with Mr Pustau, junior, who sold it to himself and entered the transaction in the books. The firm lent him the money to effect this transaction. Mr Cordes questioned the validity of this transfer, and Mr Wotton, who has instructions from him to act in the matter and is also the Official Assignee's Solicitor, is to prepare a case for the Court on the point. Certain facts are requisite to state the case had now been received and there would be no further delay.

The Chief Justice remarked on the absence of proof of claims; here was an estate with this large amount of liabilities and assets and nobody came to look after this money. What the use was of having a Bankruptcy Law here it was exceedingly difficult to see. The machinery of the Court should not be put into operation to benefit or protect those who would not act for themselves. He was sorry to see so young a man as Mr Pustau, through no fault of his own, forced through the Bankruptcy Court. While following the example of his father he should avoid that high speculation through which he fell, as so many others had done.

The Bankrupt having passed his final examination, the 29th inst. was fixed for the order of his final discharge; protection extended.

China.

SHANGHAI.

The C.M.S.N. Co.'s steamer *Kiangsoo*, Captain Andrews, which arrived yesterday (2nd) from Hankow, reports that the water mark there on the 30th ult. was 2 ft. 7 in. The depth of water at Hunter Island was 10 feet and in the Roundabout Channel at Olyphant Island 14 feet.

The Shanghai Shore Branch of the Royal Naval Temperance Society, which is itself a branch of the National Temperance League, gave a free entertainment at the Temperance Hall on New Year's day night, Rev. Thomas Taylor in the chair, when a prosperous state of this Branch of the Society's affairs was shown.

LATEST NEWS FROM CABUL.

DETAILS OF HEAVY FIGHTING.

Through some miscarriage of the Singapore mail, we are as yet without our full complement of Indian telegrams, but the following, which we find in the *Rangoon Gazette*, give particulars of the heavy fighting at Cabul and on the Road, as to which we have only as yet had a telegram of two or three lines:—

Allahabad, Dec. 13.—On the 11th, four guns escorted by two squadrons, 9th Lancers and one squadron of 14th Bengal Lancers, proceeded to join General Macpherson's Infantry across Chardeh valley were assailed by 10,000 men under Mahomed Jan. The enemy advanced in line two miles long, disregarding the shells of the Artillery. The country was most difficult for guns, and Cavalry, being cut up by water-courses and the guns made such progress that the Cavalry charged to save them. The Lancers were received with a heavy fire causing serious loss but could make no impression on the vast masses. The guns stuck in the deep channel were spiked and left. Word was sent to General Macpherson then to come on from over hill on the road to Argandah. The enemy made for the Cabul gorge but were checked by 20 of the 72nd sent through Cabul from Sherpur. Macgregor collected some of the 9th Lancers and gunners and returned to the scene of the fight. With the help of the Infantry he got the guns out and brought them into camp. The enemy took up a position on the peaks East of the Bala Hisar ridge and attacked our picket, but were beaten back. Our loss in killed was Lieut. Hensley, Orderly officer to General Macgregor, Lieut. Richards of the 9th Lancers and Lieut. Hardy of the R. H. L. Colonel Cleland 9th Lancers was seriously wounded. The number of men killed was 15 of the 9th Lancers. Total killed 18, wounded 25.

Calcutta, Dec. 14.—The Cabul troops with Ayub Khan revolted and seized him at Malan. The Herat troops endeavoured to rescue him a fight ensued, in which the Herat troops were beaten with loss and the Cabul troops with the artillery returned to Herat where they imprisoned Ayub Khan and killed and plundered many of the inhabitants. News from Cabul dated 13th December states that the enemy has been defeated on all sides; the city people had agreed to join the tribesmen whose numbers were estimated at 20,000, largely armed with sniders. They fought desperately and suffered heavy losses. Large bodies of the enemy are still hanging about the Chardeh valley and Kohistan hills and will be attacked unless they disperse. The 82nd Highlanders led the advance of General Baker's brigade under Major White; Lieutenant Forbes, who led the attack brilliantly, was killed, Captain Butler of the 9th Lancers was killed, with four men, Captain Chisholm, Lieutenant Trower and eight men were wounded. The total loss in the last three days was 43 killed, of whom 10 were officers, and 73 wounded, of whom 10 were officers. The large proportion of the killed to wounded is mainly owing to the enemy killing all the wounded men they could.

General Roberts telegraphs on the 13th that the enemy continued collecting on the previous day. A few appeared to the north-east, on the lower spurs of the Kohistan hill, a large number assembled in and round Benishahr, while those in the neighbourhood of Indki were considerably strengthened. General Macpherson held the point above Bala Hisar, but failed to dislodge the enemy from the heights and peak where their position was of great strength and held by a large force, chiefly men of the Ordal regiments. General Baker returned by evening, having engaged the enemy repeatedly during the day with but slight loss to his own troops; and the night passed quietly. On the morning of the 13th General Baker moved out with the 13th Highlanders, Guides, Infantry, 2nd and 3rd Sikhs and four guns, also four guns of the Mountain Battery, one squadron of the Ninth Lancers, and the 5th Punjab Cavalry. He found the enemy in great force near Benishahr and attacked and drove them before him until his men alternately occupied the peak which the enemy were holding all the previous day, and which the Fifth Goorkhas from the Bala Hisar had reached a few minutes previously. The casualties on the 12th were Lieutenant Ferguson, 72nd Highlanders, Major Cook, 5th Goorkhas, and Lieut. Parker, 3rd Sikhs were dead; one man of the 67th Foot, three of the 72nd, five of the 5th Goorkhas wounded; two men of the 3rd Sikhs killed.

Dec. 15.—General Roberts reports continued fighting at Cabul; success gained at first but the enemy are still coming out in large numbers he has decided to collect his force within Sherpur Cantonments, giving up heights above the city which extend the position too much. He has ordered General Gough up from Gundamuck and General Arbuthnot's brigade from Jellalabad, as he considers reinforcements necessary to clear the country and enable him to act decisively. Reinforcements are proceeding to replace troops drawn from line of communication. Telegraph line is open and no disturbances reported along line of communication, but excitement at disposal are ample.

News through Thul from the Camp in Bugh Zawa defile state that advanced companies right attack under Colonel Gordon gained by 3 p.m. 18th, on heights within view of

Zawa settlements at head of defile. Very strong positions taken by right attack with only one casualty native officer severely wounded. Enemy made some stand at heights of the 8th, but were dislodged by flank attack of the 28th Punjab Infantry and front attack of 85th under Artillery and Mountain fire. Enemy's casualties believed twenty killed. Hills very difficult, gorge very narrow. Force was to March on the 14th against villages in defile to Zawa itself and to Chandark on the morning of 15th. The Dandak section of Western Zaimights accepted on 13th in full the terms offered them.

The losses yesterday at Kabul are stated at 19 killed, including Captain Spens and Lieutenant Gainsford, 72nd Highlanders, and 83 wounded, including Captain Gordon, 92nd Highlanders, Captain Battye of the Guides and Lieutenant Egerton of the 72nd. The force will be employed in completing the defences of Sherpur and afterwards move out daily to prevent the enemy surrounding the position. Telegraphic communication is open.

A further telegram from General Roberts reports that in the fighting on the 14th one mountain gun was lost. The enemy numbered nearly 30,000 and the fire was very severe. He adds that he does not doubt being able to restore our command, but that reinforcements are required to enable him to act with necessary vigour.

Her Majesty the Queen-Empress has telegraphed to the Viceroy thus:—"My heart bleeds at the loss of so many brave men, and so large a number of officers, but I am proud of them and thank them warmly. I anxiously hope the wounded are doing well and that the fighting may soon be over."

Dec. 16.—The following details received regarding Zaimight Expedition. On Saturday the 13th instant, General Tylor moved out from Camp Chumrat against Zavar Zaimust stronghold at a distance of about eight miles with 1,350 Infantry, 2 mountain and 2 screw guns. The road lay through an open valley which was about 2½ miles from Zavar narrowing to a very cramped gorge and wound between hills lofty and precipitous very difficult to climb. Colonel G. d. n. with four Companies of the 88th and the 29th N. I. and 2 mountain guns was sent to clear heights held by the enemy on the right of the advance parties. The 4th P. I. and 20th N. I. were sent to the heights on the left. General Tylor moving with the remaining force and screw guns along bed of ravine. Owing to its being very steep and the rocky nature of ground the guns, with Colonel Gordon's force were unable to follow but later on came up the ravine and moved to the 2nd height from whence he shelled the enemy who had collected in force on a higher height in front. The 29th took the enemy to flank while the 8th advanced up almost perpendicular to the face of the cliff. The enemy fled in confusion and General Tylor bivouacked in the village Bugh below. Casualty one native officer of the 29th N. I. severely wounded; estimated loss of the enemy 20. On the 14th General Tylor continued his advance whilst the enemy stoutly defended the pass near Z. war. The 4th P. I. on the ridge and the 85th in the ravine beat them back killing 20 or 30. The screw guns made excellent practice. All villages in Zavar valley were burnt as well as those along the lines of retirement. General Tylor returned unmolested to Bugh at 5 o'clock and bivouacked. Casualties: Lieut. Benny 4th P. I. very dangerously wounded, one haviliar and one Sepoy mortally wounded.

Dec. 17.—Telegraphic communication with Cabul has been interrupted near Jagdulluck since yesterday. General Gough reports that the tribes in his front, beyond Gundamuck, have shown signs of hostility, obstructing his immediate advance.

Dec. 18.—The previous accounts of the disturbances at Herat are confirmed. It is now reported that Sirdar Abdul Khan is now reported with two regiments from Maimund and released a Sirdar whom Ayub Khan had imprisoned. There was a fight between the Herat and Cabul regiments. Abdul Khan has seized the citadel and proclaimed himself General-Governor. Bright reports that General Gough's posts at Jagdulluck were attacked on 16th. Three companies were attacked on 16th. A detachment of him and General Arbuthnot with a wing of the 46th Sikhs and a detachment of the Goorkhas was about to start for Gundamuck. A short telegram from General Baker dated Cabul 15th, but received on the night of the 17th, reports that the troops were in excellent spirits and that no doubt is felt of his being able shortly to reestablish authority in Cabul; but he gives no news.

Allahabad, Dec. 18.—The last message received before the interruption of the wires states that Cabul city people and the villagers near Cabul believed most treacherously. Our wounded were killed and mutilated within two hundred yards of Sherpur walls. The Governor of Jellalabad absconded with a portion of the revenue collected.

Dec. 14.—H. E. the Viceroy has received a very gracious message from Her Majesty the Queen-Empress, congratulating him warmly on his escape on Friday last.

[This refers to the attempt at assassination regarding which the following telegram is fuller than any yet published in Hongkong.—Ed. C. M.]

Calcutta, Dec. 12.—As the Viceroy arrived to-night two shots were fired at his carriage by an East Indian who also fired one at the following carriage. No one was hurt. The man, who was very drunk, was arrested without resistance.

LONDON AND OTHER TELEGRAMS.

London, Dec. 6.—A regular State panic and terror has set in throughout Russia. Active preparations for war are in progress between Egypt and Abyssinia.

Dec. 11.—The Argentine Government have invited tenders for coining of silver to the extent of from two to four million dollars.

Dec. 15.—Latest advices from seat of war in South America, state that a severe engagement has been fought at Sarapaca in which Parvov-Bolivian allies defeated the Chilians, inflicting loss of 1000 men killed. Vienna, Dec. 12.—Disastrous floods have occurred in Hungary and great loss of life is reported. Ten thousand people are rendered homeless.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—Arrests in Russia continue. In the possession of one prisoner was found a minute plan of the Winter Palace.

Dec. 14.—A plot has been discovered to blow up the Winter Palace with dynamite.

MISSION WORK IN CHINA.

The annual meetings of the Brighton Branch of the Church Missionary Society were held on the 4th inst., in the Dome, Brighton. The chair, at the morning meeting, was occupied by the Bishop of Chichester. Among the speakers was the Rev. Mr. Wolfe, a missionary from China, who described the work carried on there, and more particularly in the district over which he presided. He traced the work back for some twenty-five years, and spoke of the great difficulties which had to be surmounted by Mr. Smith in the early part of that time, and how the work was carried on for years without there being the least sign of a single convert. At last it was thought desirable by the Committee at home to do away with the mission station, seeing that they would effect no good, but Mr. Smith remained firm, and in the end was successful, through the Grace of God, in securing some converts. Soon after this, in 1861, the speaker went out there, after living to see that first fruits of his arduous labours, died within a short time of the speaker's arrival, and since then the work had been carried on by himself, assisted by native teachers and others. The place in which he lived was called Foochow, or the Happy City; but he could assure them it was by no means a happy place. It was surrounded by massive walls, and the population was 600,000. In the suburbs, outside the walls, there were 500,000 more people, and in the valley round about were another million. When he arrived in 1861 there were only two or three converts, without any church or out-station; but at present there were over 3,000 converts, 120 out-stations in different parts of the province, 120 to 130 native catechists, 120 churches and chapels, and five native clergymen ordained and preaching in the several churches. In a graphic and interesting way he spoke of the work carried on in the various districts in the province, and incidentally remarked that the missionaries were never assailed by the Chinese people, it was only by the mandarins and the gentry who excited the rabble against them and did them harm. If he had the means he could open a hundred more churches, and therefore he asked for their prayers, and their contributions for the Mission work in China.

Two Chinese Mr. Chen Yuenoh and Mr. L. Tso, were at the annual meeting of the congregation of the Circus Church, Portsmouth, held a few evenings since. The Rev. J. C. Martiu, M.A., the minister, presided. Special interest was manifested in the few reliable and touching remarks made by Mr. Tso, interpreter to the Chinese Legation. Mr. Martiu in introducing him, said he rejected that they were at peace with the late, populous and rising nation of China. He regretted much the wrongs we had inflicted on that country in connection with the opium trade; and he longed for the day when this stain would be wiped out. He hoped their intercourse with each other would ever be productive of good to each country, and that we might never introduce to them any thing which would not be a permanent benefit and for their special good. He prayed they might emulate each other in the spread of all useful knowledge, and especially of the circulation of the Word of God. Mr. Tso, in warm terms, expressed his gratitude for the kind reception his friend and he had met with. He was deeply interested (he said) in the work they were doing; for he said there was no knowledge, learning, or industry to be compared with the love of God. He was thankful there was peace between the two countries, and he hoped the time would soon come when they would not be regarded as strangers and foreigners, but as friends and brothers. Again thanking their kind pastor on behalf of himself and his friend for the kindness shown them, he said he sincerely desired that England would ever remain in friendship and peace with his country.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

Left.	Name.	From.
May.	6, Alexander,	Penarth
31, Newcastle,		Antwerp
June.	27, Pym,	Antwerp
July.	19, Comus,	Glasgow
24, Primrose,		Penarth
Aug.	9, Eliz. Rickmers,	Penarth
17, Minnie Carvill,		Cardiff
17, Coldstream,		Antwerp
18, Glendinorwig,		Antwerp
Sept.	13, Heels,	Penarth
13, Carmelita & Ida,		Cuxhaven
20, Lucia,		London
28, Livingstone,		Cuxhaven
Oct.	3, Parnas,	Cardiff
9, Grynade (s.),		Liverpool
10, Peru,		Flushing
17, Chili,		Flushing
24, West Glen,		Antwerp
25, Palestine,		London
25, James S. Stone,		New York
26, Bernhard Carl, (for Swat w)		Penarth
30, Marie Louise,		Antwerp
Nov.	5, Wacumbia (s.)	London
11, Nautula,		Hamburg
16, Elidia,		Penarth
19, Joseph,		Flushing
24, Fieders,		Antwerp
24, Glaucon (s.)		Liverpool
24, Geungyle (s.)		London
25, Carl Ritter,		Hamburg
26, Formosa,		Hamburg

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.

K-nmure Castle,	Gleblon.
Flintshire,	Benary.
Kilnarnay,	
<i>Sailing Vessels.</i>	
Crossfield,	Sumatra.
William Ritson.	Morna.
Melbrek.	
<i>At Liverpool.</i>	
Ulysses (a.)	Sarpedon (a.)
Orian (a.)	Castillo (a.)
<i>At Hamburg.</i>	
Niagara	River Logan.
Lydia (a.)	Hansa.
<i>At Antwerp.</i>	
General Fairbld.	Steelhold.
Cora.	Singapore.
Hilghmoor,	Vale of Nith

Mails.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

THE S. S. *NIIGATA MARU*, Captain WALKER, due here on or about the 5th Jan., 1880, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 10th Jan., at Daylight.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 9th January. No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To KOBE..... Cabin \$60, Steerage \$15.
" YOKOHAMA & Do. \$75. Do. \$20.
" NAGASAKI..... Do. \$75. Do. \$20.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN PASSAGES.

CARGO AND PASSENGERS for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's OFFICES, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, December 29, 1879. ja10

Occidental & Oriental Steam Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES.

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. *GALLIE* will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, January 14th, 1880, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 13th January. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, December 29, 1879. ja14



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUER, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-AMPTON, AND LONDON;

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship KAISAR-I-HIND, Capt. MATHIAS, will leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 14th Instant, at 11 p.m.

For further Particulars, apply to A. MEYER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 6, 1880. ja15

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Suez*, Capt. EATON, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees are also hereby informed that any Claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 12th Instant.

D. SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 8, 1880. ja10

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. *IRAOUADY*.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Euphrate*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 10 a.m. at 1 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 14th Inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja14

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Venice* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1880. ja12

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "NIIGATA MARU," FROM KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after TUESDAY, the 6th Instant, will be landed and stored at Consignees' expense and risk.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

MITSU BISHI MAIL S. S. Co.,

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Hongkong, January 5, 1880. ja12

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Hongkong, June 2, 1879. 2jn80

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CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000
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Hongkong, October 1, 1879. 10c80

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J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

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HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

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Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £ 100,000 " Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000 " Annual Income £ 250,000 "

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

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Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

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Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

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GILMAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

- Section.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Charlton	2 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	786	Dec. 26	Hop Kee	Saloon	To-day
China	5 c	Alderton	Brit. str.	1070	Dec. 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Chinkiang	4 c	Orr	Brit. str.	799	Jan. 8	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Diamante	5 h	Cullen	Brit. str.	514	Jan. 8	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Fame	6 h	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	.....	R. K. & W'poo Dock Co.	.....	Tug Flying
Fuyew	4 c	Croad	Chl. str.	920	Jan. 8	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Hector	5 c	Jones	Brit. str.	1689	Jan. 8	Butterfield & Swire	Amoy & Shanghai	10th inst.
Hesperia	5 c	Johannsen	Ger. str.	1136	Dec. 31	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Hochung	4 h	Peterson	Chhl. str.	849	Jan. 7	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Iraouaddy	5 c	Gauvain	Foh. str.	2025	Jan. 7	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-morrow
Nigata Maru	4 c	Walker	Japan. str.	1096	Jan. 5	Mitsui Bishi M. S. S. Co.	Yokohama via Kobe	10th daylight
Norna	4 c	Love	Brit. str.	606	May 31	Kwok Acheong	.....	Ocean Dock
Sea Gull	8 h	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Mar. 24	China-Trade Insurance Co.	.....
Suez	5 c	Eaton	Brit. str.	1390	Jan. 3	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	
Swallow	5 c	Hutcheson	Brit. str.	820	Jan. 4	Butterfield & Swire	Amoy	Cleared
Thales	7 c	Peters	Brit. str.	820	Dec. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	at daylight
Venice	5 h	Rhode	Brit. str.	1271	Jan. 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama	at daylight
Volga	5 c	Guldrand	Foh. str.	952	Jan. 6	Messageries Maritimes	Swatow	
Yotung	2 h	McDougall	Brit. str.	286	Jan. 6	Kwok Acheong	.....
Sailing Vessels								
Alden Basso	4 k	Noyes	Amer. bge.	842	Dec. 16	Rozario & Co.	New York	
Alice Reed	3 c	Killeran	Amer. bge.	873	Dec. 6	Vogel & Co.	Hayre	
Bonito	4 c	Wesenberg	Ger. bge.	524	Dec. 12	Stemssen & Co.	.....	For Sale
Bua Caso	2 c	Lange	Siam. bge.	338	Jan. 2	Chinese	.....
Carl	4 c	Thomson	Ger. bg.	225	Dec. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....	For Sale
Ceres	2 c	McWilliam	Brit. bge.	454	Dec. 8	Captain	.....
Chamron Kamrye	2 h	Stolze	Siam. bge.	480	Dec. 15	Tuen Fat Hong	.....
Chocola	1 k	Kennett	Brit. bge.	284	July 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.	.....	For Sale
City of Boston	8 c	Crosby	Amer. sh.	1062	Dec. 18	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Claro Babuyan	4 c	Polson	Brit. bge.	358	Nov. 29	Vogel & Co.	London	
Duke of Abercorn	4 c	Binnle	Brit. sh.	1049	Jan. 4	Borneo Co., Limited	.....
Elizabeth Childs	3 c	Lindbergh	Brit. bge.	391	Nov. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	
Empire	7 c	Leckie	Amer. sh.	1131	Dec. 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....
Emulation	8 c	Gunn	Brit. bge.	391	Jan. 8	Wieler & Co.	New York	
Frederick Perthes	5 c	Walter	Ger. bge.	446	Nov. 29	Russell & Co.	.....
Garibaldi	5 c	Forbes	Amer. bge.	670	Dec. 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	.....
Goliath	2 c	Denzau	Siam. bge.	542	Nov. 26	Wo Yie Hong	Hamburg	
Harmonia	5 h	Schiphorst	Ger. sch.	241	Nov. 26	Vogel & Co.	.....
Haydn Brown	7 c	Havener	Amer. bge.	865	Dec. 11	Melchers & Co.	.....
Hazel Holme	3 k	Millican	Brit. bge.	405	Oct. 20	Hogel & Co.	.....
Hormine	2 c	Counzran	Swed. bge.	289	Dec. 26	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	.....
Hermine	4 c	Meyer	Ger. bge.	350	Jan. 5	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	.....
Hesperus	7 c	Specht	Ger. bge.	767	Dec. 26	Stemssen & Co.	.....
Highlander	4 k	Eutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.	.....
Hindoo	5 c	Mathieson	Ger. bge.	541	Dec. 25	Wistler & Co.	.....
John Nicholson	7 c	Campbell	Brit. sh.	685	Dec. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	
Katie Flickinger	4 c	Gilman	Amer. bkline.	472	Dec. 29	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Middlesea	7 c	Ambrose	Brit. bge.	1191	Dec. 12	Borneo Co., Limited	.....
Morning Star	2 h	Michaelson	Siam. bge.	570	Dec. 27	Chinese	.....
Moses B. Tower	8 h	Hall	Amer. bkline.	637	Nov. 8	Vogel & Co.	New York	
Palma	4 c	Binge	Ger. bge.	299	Nov. 12	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	
Pampero	8 c	McKenzie	Brit. bge.	588	Nov. 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Papa	6 c	Bannau	Ger. bge.	748	Dec. 28	Carlowitz & Co.	.....
Prince Frederick	4 c	Clague	Brit. sh.	1490	Dec. 29	Vogel & Co.	.....
Roderick H. Carleton	6 k	Nicolson	Brit. bge.	290	Dec. 11	Turner & Co.	.....
Saml. D. Carleton	7 c	Freeman	Amer. bge.	884	Nov. 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....
Sophie	4 c	Bang	Ger. bg.	209	Dec. 2	Carlowitz & Co.	Hamburg	
Southern Cross	7 h	Gibb	Amer. sh.	1129	Oct. 16	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Spartan	8 k	Vincent	Amer. sch.	81	Aug. 27	W. H. Ray	.....
Sumatra	3 k	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 6	Russell & Co.	Touron	Cleared
Three Brothers	2 h	Khalcke	Brit. bge.	367	Nov. 14	S-Tye Hong	London	
Winlow	4 k	Barker	Brit. bge.	456	Nov. 28	Vogel & Co.	.....
WHAMPOA								
Fantaisie	.....	Cooper	Brit. bge.	693	Dec. 15	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Marco Polo	.....	Breckwoldt	Brit. bge.	358	Dec. 11	Carlowitz & Co.	Hamburg	
CANTON								
China	.....	Ackermann	Ger. str.	648	Jan. 7	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Fung-shun	.....	Andrew	Ger. str.	863	Jan. 8	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	